

## FRIARS ABUSED POWER.

Philippines Do Not Desire the Return of Friars to Parishes.

### LETTER FROM AGUINALDO.

Manila, Oct. 23.—The Philippine commission has passed a bill appropriating \$475,000 gold for the payment of expenses incurred for the benefit of the insular government during October. The bill goes carefully into detail regarding the items of expenditure throughout the archipelago.

Judge Taft, president of the commission, has been engaged for some time in taking a mass of Filipino testimony concerning the conduct and policy of the friars, this being a continuation of the investigation which began with the depositions of bishops and members of monastic orders. The statements of the Filipinos go to show that the friars, under the Spanish regime, greatly abused their limitless political and religious powers over the community, and that this abuse of authority often led to immorality. All the testimony offered by the Filipinos shows that they do not desire the return of the friars to the parishes.

Archbishop Chappelle has gone to the more peaceful provinces of Northern Luzon, accompanied by three Dominican friars. It is asserted and generally believed that he intends to re-establish these friars in certain parishes; and the trip is exciting the natives in Manila, who call upon their countrymen to prevent the re-establishment of any friar, on the ground that it would fix a dangerous precedent for the future.

Senor Buenacama has received what purports to be a letter from Aguinaldo, ordering the former leaders of the revolution who are now in Manila to desist from the formation of political parties, and to cease all their attempts at pacification. The letter mysteriously hints that plans are maturing among the armed rebels in the field, and describes these as "best for the country." Senor Buenacama declares that the letter is genuine.

The military situation was comparatively quiet last week. The commission, the military authorities, the Filipinos and the foreigners are awaiting the result of the presidential election in the United States.

#### Cabinet Pleased With Outlook.

Washington, Oct. 22.—The cabinet meeting was devoted principally to the consideration of the Chinese situation. After the meeting members seemed impressed with the favorable turn matters had taken and the prospect of a satisfactory adjustment. The government has received the proposals of Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching offering indemnity and guarantees for the future and they have been accepted in good faith. The cabinet considered that the Chinese government in admitting that it had been in the wrong and in offering to make proper reparation as well as offering to provide against a repetition of disorders had placed itself in the proper position and had opened the way to negotiations for a complete settlement. For the present the negotiations will proceed through Minister Conger.

#### John Sherman Is Dead.

Washington, Oct. 23.—John Sherman, who for a period of forty years occupied a prominent place in the legislative and administrative branches of public affairs in the United States died yesterday of brain exhaustion.

During the last fifteen hours of his life he was all the time unconscious and passed away while in this condition.

#### Florida's Orange Crop.

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 18.—A conservative estimate of Florida's orange crop this year places the yield at one million boxes. The groves are in a healthy condition and within a fortnight fruit will begin to be marketed. The average price per box is \$2.00.

#### Former Minister Beheaded.

Washington, Oct. 18.—Confirmation has been received here of the execution of Chang Yen Hoon, the former Chinese minister to the United States. Chang was a loyal adherer of the emperor and a warm supporter of the latter's reform movements. When the empress dowager supplanted the emperor, two years ago, he was banished to Hebrado, but, through the intervention of the American and British ministers, his punishment was commuted to banishment in the distant province of Kashgaria. It now appears that the empress dowager, taking advantage of the late reign of terror at Peking, and knowing Chang's influence with the emperor, ordered his execution by decapitation.

#### Life Sentence For Youtsey.

Georgetown, Ky., Oct. 23.—The jury in the case of Henry Youtsey, on trial on charge of being a principal in the Goebel assassination, returned a verdict of guilty and fixing the penalty at life imprisonment.

It was learned from one of the jurymen that no ballot was taken at night but in the morning the vote was unanimous that Youtsey was guilty and then the degree of punishment was fixed and the sentenced passed upon.

## STRIKE LEADERS SUSPICIOUS.

Fear The Companies Are Conspiring Against The Union.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Oct. 22.—The strike leaders here are growing suspicious that there is some kind of an agreement between the coal companies by which they expect to break up the miners. The offer of the Reading company and the opposition to the same upon the part of the other companies is something the labor leaders cannot understand. At a conference in Philadelphia on Wednesday the Lehigh Valley agreed to the same terms as the Reading, so far as their Lehigh collieries are concerned, but the company refuses, so the strikers allege, to make the same concessions to their employees in the Wyoming region. The officers of the United Mine Workers here say there is no consistency in that. The action of the Lackawanna, the Ontario and Western, the Pennsylvania company and other large producers in combining with the Lehigh Valley on the powder question tends to confirm the views entertained by the officers of the miners' union that a concerted effort is to be made by the companies to get the better of the union and incite a break in the ranks of the strikers. The operators who participated in the conference at Scranton say they are acting in good faith.

#### Swindled by Stove Peddlars.

Ottawa, Oct. 23.—Wenzel Plascicka and Martin Straus of Lincoln township, industrious and well-to-do farmers, were consulting an attorney to know how they could save themselves from paying \$69 for a range the value of which is about \$35.

They say that the usual false representations were made to take their old stoves at fabulous prices, making payments in one, two, three, four, five years, etc., all of which however is a misrepresentation made by the salesman and not authorized by the company, who holds their notes for \$69, and as they pass into the hands of innocent purchasers no defense can be made against them.

#### Sixty-First Kansas Reports.

Topeka, Oct. 23.—Supreme Court Reporter T. E. Dewey has just turned out the sixty-first Kansas supreme court report. It contains 111 opinions as follows: By Chief Justice Doster, 31; by Associate Justice Johnston, 39; by Associate Justice Smith, 41. There were per curiam decisions rendered in 58 cases. Of the 111 cases decided, Justice Doster rendered six separate opinions, four dissenting and two concurring especially. Johnston rendered one separate opinion concurring and Smith rendered one separate opinion dissenting.

#### Revenue of Insane Asylum.

Topeka, Oct. 23.—Dr. Biddle, superintendent of the Topeka insane asylum has just turned \$700 into the state treasury. This is money collected for the maintenance of insane patients who are able to pay for their care at the institution. Dr. Biddle has turned in \$3,002 during the past two years. This is more than the state received for the ten previous years.

#### Flax Seed out of Sight.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—The highest price on record for flaxseed was reached here when the top quotation was \$1.85 per bushel. This is an increase per bushel during the month of 36 cents. It is 71 cents per bushel above the quotations current a year ago.

#### British Gold for New York.

London, Oct. 20.—It is reported that gold to the amount of 500,000 pounds, which is due to arrive here from India next week, has been engaged for the United States.

#### Storm at Cape Town.

London, Oct. 18.—A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from Cape Town says that a tremendous storm there blew a steam crane into the harbor in such a way as to block the entrance to the docks against large steamers. The accident caused several fatalities.

#### Marchers Meet Troops.

Lansford, Pa., Oct. 18.—More than 2,000 striking mine workers made a descent upon the ten collieries of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company in the Panther Creek Valley. They came to this place by two separate roads. One crowd shut up the Nesquehoning colliery, while the other mob was driven back to Tamaqua and dispersed by a battalion of troops after an exciting time. No one was hurt. Strikers were scattered over the various roads, and companies of soldiers were scurrying in all directions heading off the marching men. The troops were patient with the mob of strikers, while the labor men were very careful not to commit overt acts in the presence of the troops.

#### Judge Hook Makes New Decision.

Leavenworth, Oct. 23.—Judge Hook of the federal court sustained a motion to quash proceedings in the trial of a man charged with counterfeiting who had passed a confederate bill as a greenback, on the ground that there was not sufficient resemblance between the two kinds of bills to cause it to be taken for genuine money. The prisoner will be turned over to the state to be tried for obtaining money under false pretenses. Former trials of such cases resulted in imprisonment.

## STRIKES STILL HOLD OUT.

Yet There are Indications That Settlement is Closer.

### NO NEW CONVENTION YET.

Hazleton, Pa., Oct. 23.—President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, practically admitted to a representative of the Associated Press that if every operator in the region was to post notices similar to those that are now being tacked up by some of the mine owners, this action would in itself, probably not end the strike. He was asked if all the companies were to post such notices, what his next step would be. At first he hesitated and then replied:

"Well, all I will say is that if all the companies post notices it would clear up matters considerably. It would remove some of the obstacles that now present themselves."

This is the first public statement that Mr. Mitchell has made bearing on a settlement of the contest since the operators at Scranton took their decided stand that the reduction of powder price must be considered in figuring out the advance in wages.

#### Prepare to Resume Work.

Scranton, Pa., Oct. 18.—Preparations are being made all through the Lackawanna valley for the resumption of work. The coal companies are crowding their mine sidings with empty cars and the end of the week will find thousands of cars in place where formerly only hundreds were to be seen. This is done in order to be prepared for the great demand for coal which will necessitate the running of the mines and breakers to their utmost capacity for weeks in order to get the stock ahead to meet the winter's demand.

#### Present Condition in India.

Simla, Oct. 22.—The viceroy, in a speech before the council, said the famine had affected a quarter of the population of India, and that even now 2,000,000 people were receiving relief. He expressed the hope, however, that within a month these would return to their homes. He said that half a million deaths were traceable to the famine and that the loss involved was fifty millions of sterling, plus some millions for loss of cattle.

Alluding to the shocking mortality in the native states, the viceroy said that no relief system in the world could counteract the effects of the reduced food, the cessation of wages, high prices, and the breaking up of the homes of millions, or prevent pestilence following famine.

#### Hobson's Loving Cup.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 23.—Ten thousand Alabamians greeted General Wheeler and Lieutenant Hobson in Montgomery, when General Wheeler presented a loving cup to Lieutenant Hobson in behalf of the people of Alabama. The cup is of sterling silver, ten inches in height, on a solid ebony pedestal seven and a half inches high. The handles of the cup are dolphins and on the panels are etched portraits of the recipient, the names of the crew who were with him on the Merrimac and an address.

#### New South Wales' Wheat Area.

Sydney, N. S. W., Oct. 22.—The government estimates the area of wheat in New South Wales at 1,910,930 acres, an increase of 69,560 acres. Of this acreage 1,605,893 is intended for threshing, being 179,727 acres in excess of 1899. The total area of the colony in cultivation is 2,525,498 acres.

#### Speculative Flurry in Lined Oil.

Chicago, Oct. 20.—At noon the American Lined Oil company marked the price of lined oil up to 70c, or the highest figure known since the infancy of the industry. Before noon the price was 60c. This advance of 10c per gallon is the largest single price fluctuation ever known in lined oil.

#### England May Exclude Chinese.

London, Oct. 18.—The advisability of following the example of the United States in excluding the Chinese is becoming a serious question in England. This is partly due to the Chinese crisis, but more directly to the increasing number of Chinese in London, their frequent appearance in police courts and the increasing number of wretched, half-caste offspring. A writer in the Daily Chronicle avers that a large number of Chinese are coming to work in the new laundries, declares that no law will prevent them from increasing the already large number of vicious marriages with white women and urges their exclusion as the only remedy.

#### Tornado in Texas.

Atlanta, Tex., Oct. 23.—A tornado struck west of Lodi, and fifteen miles west of here. The path of the tornado was 200 yards wide and the wind swept everything before it. One house in the center of its path, occupied by colored people, was destroyed, six people being killed outright and three others are missing who are supposed to be dead. A lumber loading station at Lodi was struck and lumber scattered far and near. It is feared that loss of life has occurred in the country.

## ONE POINT IN DISPUTE.

Operators Considered Price of Powder in 10 per Cent Raising.

Scranton, Pa., Oct. 20.—The representatives of the larger coal companies after their meeting stated in reply to inquiries, that they had offered their men a 10 per cent advance as indicated by the notices they had posted, that this notice specifically stated that the reduction of powder from \$2.75 to \$1.50 would be considered in arriving at the wages of their contract miners. On this point President Mitchell is reported as saying that the resolutions of the Scranton convention contemplated a straight advance of ten per cent for all parts of the region and that the matter of having this increase made in part of a decrease in cost of powder, in these upper regions where powder is sold for \$2.75 a keg, was not agreed to. The powder question they, one and all said, was left out of the present negotiations with the understanding that it should form one of the grievances to be adjusted in the conferences which the offer says the operators agree to have with their men "to take up any grievances they may have."

#### Kentucky has a New Election Law.

Frankfort, Ky., Oct. 23.—The two houses of the legislature passed the non-partisan election law agreed upon by the conference committee. There is no doubt that Governor Beckham will sign it. The Democrats of the house held a caucus and endorsed it as a party measure. The vote in the caucus was close, but when it was put on its passage in the house it received a unanimous vote. In the senate, four Democratic senators voted against. The law goes into effect in 90 days.

#### French Note the Basis.

Paris, Oct. 18.—At a cabinet council held at the Elysee Palace the minister of foreign affairs, M. Del Casse, announced that all the powers have accepted the French note as the basis for negotiations. The minister added that he had been informed Li Hung Chang has just ordered the Black Flags and Kwang Si troops, which are traversing the province of Hu-Nan, on their way to join the court at Sian Fu, to abandon their march and return to Canton.

#### Archbishop Ireland Is Pleased.

New York, Oct. 23.—Archbishop Ireland in speaking of the Paris exposition says that the number of awards made to American exhibitors, should make the people here proud of the part taken by the United States. "A new era," said the archbishop, "has set in for us in commercial and diplomatic relations; and with the opening of the twentieth century, America steps into the front ranks of nations."

#### Home For Spiritualists.

Cleveland, O., Oct. 23.—The National Association of Spiritualists decided to hold its next annual meeting in Washington, D. C. Theodore J. Mayer, the treasurer, presented to the association a deed to his former residence in Washington, which will be used as a home for spiritualists. The home was offered by him a year ago on condition that the association raise a sufficient fund to endow it. The condition has been complied with.

#### Horse Meat in Chicago.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—Health Commissioner Reynolds is considering the advisability of licensing dealers in horse meat. Inspectors have discovered that a large amount of the product is being disposed of in the city markets. The facts have been laid before Dr. Reynolds who has been asked to set aside the prejudice against horse flesh by allowing its sale under proper regulations.

#### Puerto Rico Has no Kick.

Washington, Oct. 20.—Secretary Long has received a letter from Governor Allen of Puerto Rico, in which the latter tells of an extensive tour of the island, of the prosperous condition of the sugar crop and the outlook of a very satisfactory coffee crop. Governor Allen predicts that with these prosperous crops the people of the island will soon be on their feet financially.

#### Great Indian Dance in Wisconsin.

Lacrosse, Wis., Oct. 22.—Hundreds of Indians are holding a war dance and feast near Turtle Lake, Wis., in the vicinity of which great cranberry marshes form a means of livelihood for a large proportion of the redskins. The powwow is held in celebration of the end of the successful cranberry season and other events known only to those who participated in it. For several days past many Indians have passed through this city on their way from Iowa, Nebraska, the Dakotas and other western states to attend the dance.

#### Some of the Kansas Short Horn Buyers.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 23.—One thousand dollars was paid for the yearling bull Knights Valentine at the closing sale of the blooded short horn cattle at the annual fancy stock show here. The animal was bought by T. Tabet, of Dover, Shawnee county, Kansas.

Knights Valentine's half brother, Semptress Valentine, a bull calf, was sold to J. F. True & Co., of Newman, Kan., for \$325. Missie, of Brownland, 6-year-old cow with calf, sold to M. A. Low, Topeka, Kan., \$950.

## TO BE VOTED UPON NOV. 6.

Constitutional Amendment to Increase Supreme Court.

### CERTIFIED BY SEC. OF STATE.

Topeka, Kas., Oct. 22.—The following is the text of the proposed judicial amendment to the constitution as certified by the secretary of state of Kansas.

Be it resolved by the legislature of the State of Kansas, two thirds of the members elected to each house thereof concurring therein:

Sec. 1. The following proposition to amend the Constitution of the State is hereby submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection, viz: Section 2 of article three of the constitution of this state is hereby amended so as to read: Sec. 2.

The supreme court shall consist of seven justices, who shall be chosen by the electors of the state. They may sit separately in two divisions, with full power in each division to determine the cases assigned to be heard by such division. Three justices shall constitute a quorum in each division and the concurrence of the three shall be necessary to a decision. Such cases only as may be ordered to be heard by the whole court shall be considered by all the justices, and the concurrence of four justices shall be necessary to a decision in cases so heard. The justice who is senior in continuous term of service shall be chief justice, and in case two or more have continuously served during the same period the senior in years of these shall be chief justice, and the presiding justice of each division shall be selected from the judges assigned to that division in like manner. The term of office of the justices shall be six years, except as hereinafter provided. The justices in office at the time this amendment takes effect shall hold their offices for the terms for which they were severally elected and until their successors are elected and qualified. As soon as practicable after the second Monday in January, 1901, the governor shall appoint four justices to hold their offices until the second Monday in January, 1903.

At the general election in 1902 there shall be elected five justices, one of whom shall hold office for two years and three for six years. At the general election in 1904 and every six years thereafter two justices shall be elected. At the general election in 1906 and every six years thereafter three justices shall be elected. At the general election of 1908 and every six years thereafter three justices shall be elected.

Sec. 2. This proposition shall be submitted to the electors of this state at the general election of representatives in the year 1900 for their approval or rejection. The amendment hereby proposed shall be designated on the official ballot by the following title: "The judicial amendment to the constitution," and shall be voted for or against as now provided by law under such title.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book. Approved, March 4, 1899.

#### Corraling Rule Not to be Enforced.

Washington, Oct. 23.—The commissioner of the general land office issued the following order:

"The requirements of the clause in the applications for grazing permits by which the applicant agrees that cattle and horses shall not be corralled within 500 yards of any running stream or living spring will not be enforced."

#### London Times Would Punish.

London, Oct. 20.—The Times, whose Peking correspondent, Dr. Morrison, describes the tone of the joint note of Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching as characteristically arrogant, as if it were China and not Europe that is dictating terms, says editorially: "The description applies with equal truth to the substance of a bad augury for the progress of the negotiations, which cannot be fruitful until China has been taught her place. M. Pinchon has given her the answer her impudence deserves."

#### Russia Is Independent.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 20.—The Russian government permits it to become known that its attitude in China will be increasing independence of the concert of the powers. Russia, it is explained is disposed to attach less value to joint action since her interests have been fully secured by the successful campaign in Manchuria. Moreover, Russia is not willing to "follow the irreconcilable policy of some of the powers."

#### Taking Children to School.

Topeka, Oct. 23.—Superintendent Nelson has ruled payment cannot be collected for the transportation of children to school, in sparsely settled districts, unless the service is actually rendered. The law provides that school boards shall pay the parents or guardians of children, living three or more miles from school, 15 cents per day for each child. If a man makes a business of taking children to school, he rules the board has a right to cut down the amount of payment.

#### A Tenderfoot's Greeting.

The first greeting the tenderfoot received from a citizen of Baird Butte, Mont., to whose good graces he had been commended, "Pity you didn't come three weeks sooner," said the prominent citizen genially. "Then you'd have been in time for the hanging! Beautiful hanging! Hanged two! The first one went to the gallows with a firm step, brave as a mountain lion; but the second one, he was a le-e-e-e-tle back'ard."

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#### A Descriptive Address.

The postmaster at Burlingame received a letter the other day addressed to the man living just across the road from and a few rods north of the schoolhouse about two miles south of Burlingame, Kas. The postmaster promptly delivered the letter to Thomas Mitchell, whose residence answers this description.

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